

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
**Bhashyam Ramesh, et al.** § Group Art No. **2162**  
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 Serial No.: **10/661,245** § Examiner: **Jean M. Corrielus**  
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 Filed: **September 12, 2003** §  
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 For: **Clustering Strings Using N-Grams** §  
 § Attorney Docket No.: **11092**

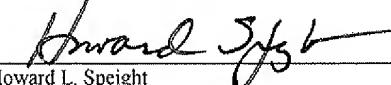
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 4, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action.

The Examiner specified a three-month shortened statutory period, so this Response is due by April 4, 2007. Therefore, this Response is considered timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims**, if any, are reflected in the "Listing of Claims" which begins on page 4 of this Response.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this Response.